

# **Best Practices & Lessons Learned From Peacekeeping Troops Training**

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*“While long-term peace is difficult to achieve, it is more likely when a peacekeeping mission is part of the picture... Successful peacekeeping is a shared responsibility...”*

*Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, UN General Assembly in Jun 10.*

# Introduction

- After 9/11, global and regional events of unconventional nature have reinforced the need for sustainable and flexible capability responses to deal a range of Operations Other Than War
- SAF conducts OOTW missions to safeguard and support the security and strategic interests of Singapore



# Definitions

- Operations Other Than War (OOTW) is defined as operations short of conventional war, where SAF's military capabilities are employed in a non-conventional war environment
- Such operations serve as instruments for conflict prevention, humanitarian assistance/disaster relief and post conflict reconstruction efforts



# Types of OOTW

## Homeland Security Operations



## Counter-Terrorism Operations



## Civil Emergency Operations



## PSO / HADR Operations



# Scope

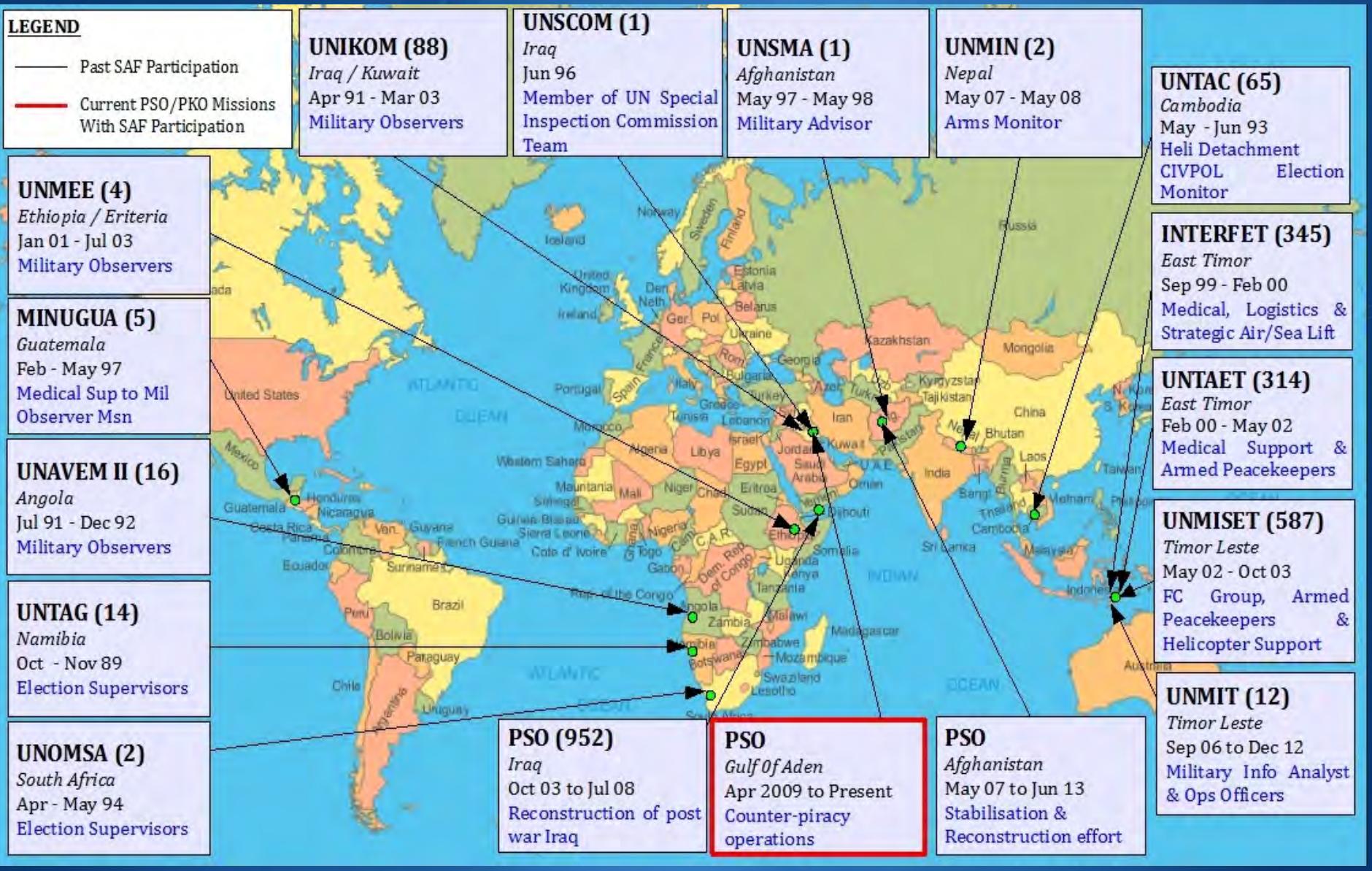
- Singapore's Experience In Peacekeeping
- The SAF Approach
- Best Practices
- Some Lessons Learned from Singapore's Perspective

# Singapore's Experience in Peacekeeping



- SAF has sent over 3,500 personnel on more than 20 missions
- First mission - UNTAG/Namibia in 1989
- Longest mission - UNIKOM in Iraq / Kuwait from Apr 1991 till Mar 2003
- Largest Contribution - INTERFET / UNTAET / UNMIS / UNMIT in Timor Leste from 1999 to 2012

# Singapore's Experience in Peacekeeping & PSO



# Impetus for Participation

- Contribute to international security
  - Contributions to be operationally useful to partners and host country
- Gain operational lessons and experience



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# The SAF Approach

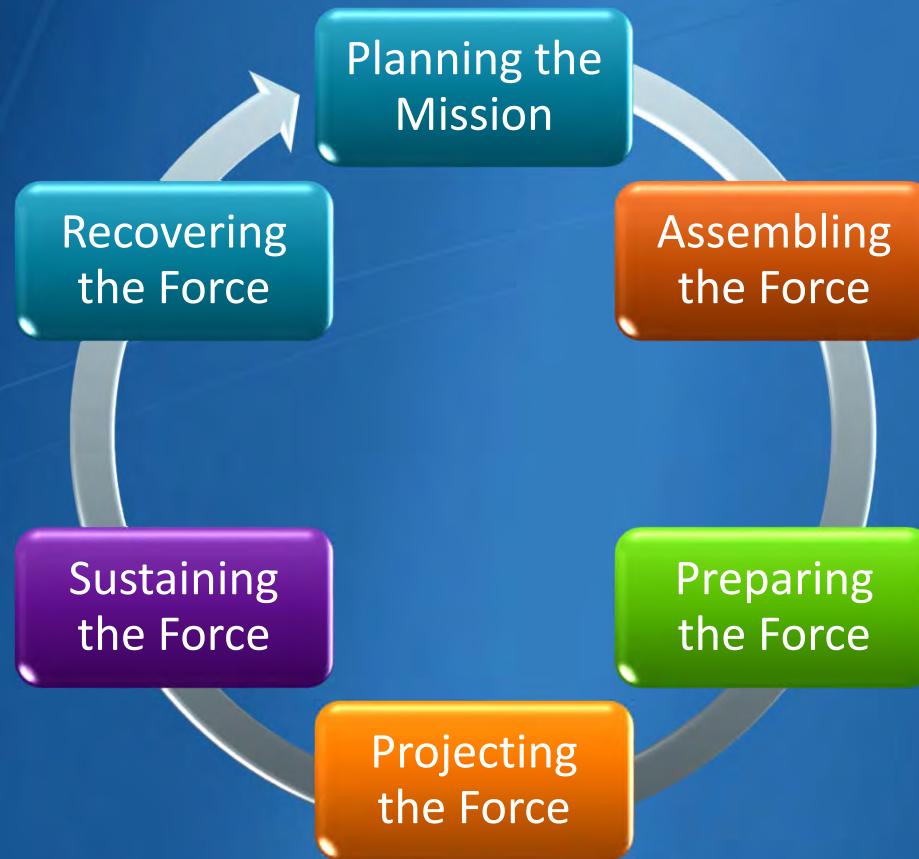
- Profile of the SAF
  - Conscript Armed Forces
  - 50,000 active servicemen, comprising mainly full-time national servicemen, and 350,000 operationally ready National Servicemen (NSmen)



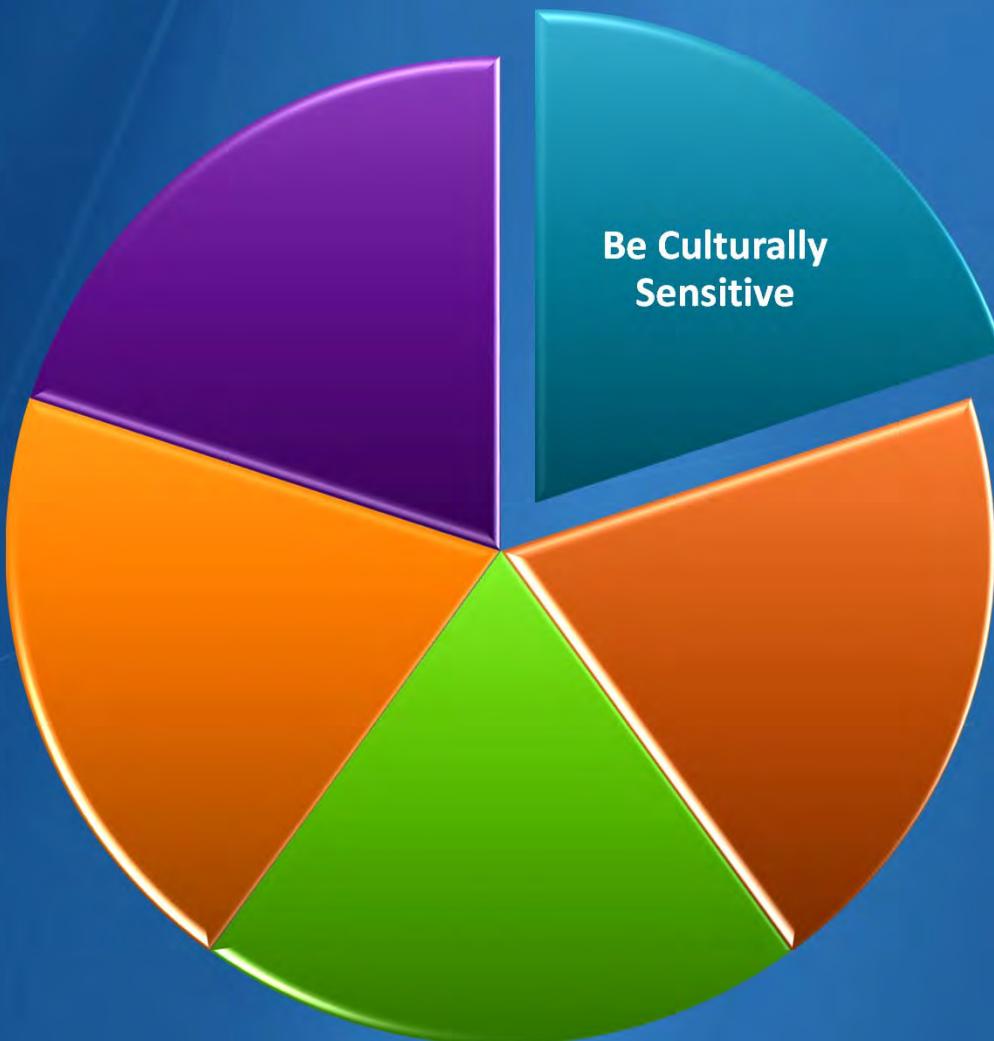
# Best Practices

- Force Preparations System

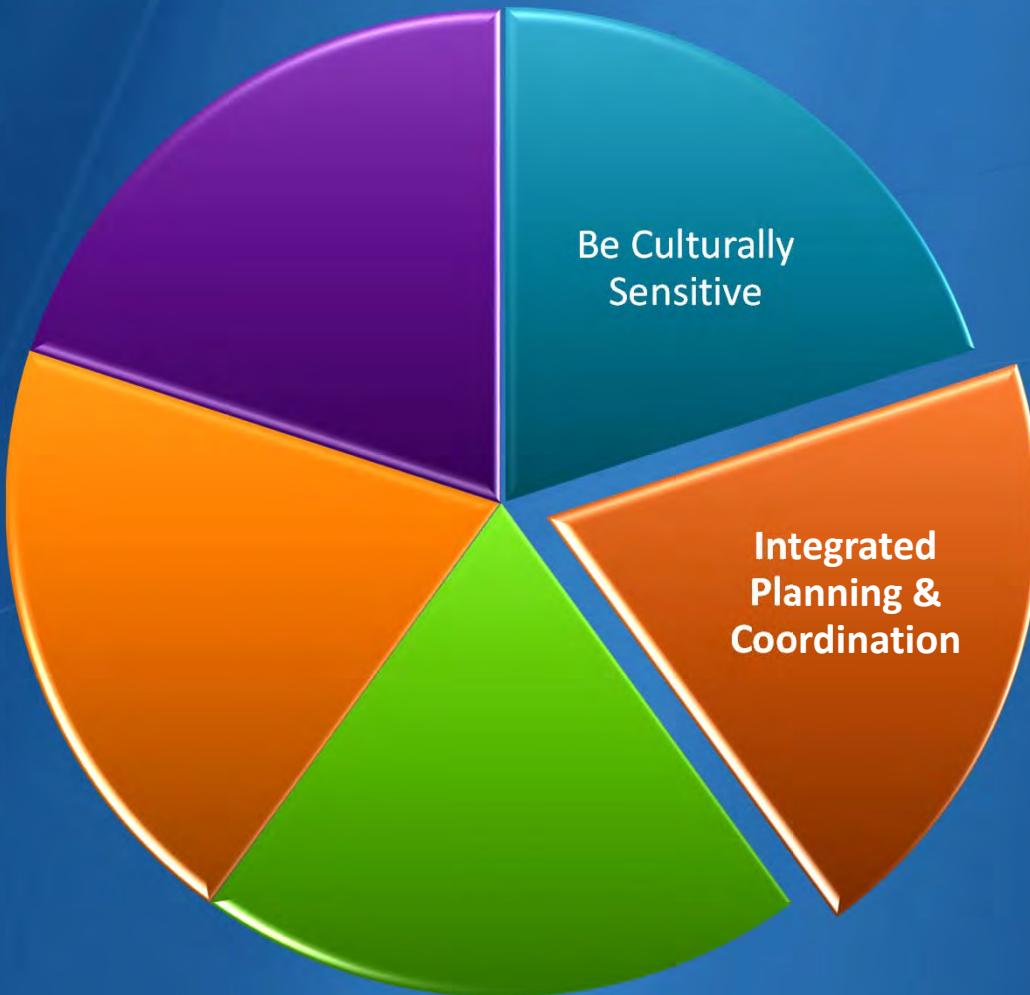
- 6-stages system developed to guide force preparations for all overseas missions



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***"I am fairly certain that one thing will remain constant: that [United Nations] peacekeeping shall continue to be in high demand."***

*Mr. Lakhdar Brahimi, former Special Adviser to the Secretary-General and former Special Representative for Afghanistan,  
UN General Assembly in Jun 10*



**Thank You**

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